ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An open air system (21) for an automotive vehicle includes a roof panel (23, 25), which can be retracted to a stowed position below a storage compartment cover (29). In another aspect of the present invention, two or more generally rigid roof panels (23, 25) are movable from above a passenger compartment (33) to below a generally horizontal plane (261). A further aspect of the present invention provides a back window (27), which can be raised and lowered.